

## WILSON'S NOTE PRESENTED TO DUTCH WITHOUT ASKING SUPPORT

Doctor Van Dyke Expresses Attitude of American Government Which Realizes Peculiarly Delicate Position of Netherlands

### UNCLE SAM WILL NOT URGE THE HAGUE TO ANY ACTION

Regrets General "Misunderstanding of Character" of Message Sent Out By the President To Warring Powers of Europe

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
THE HAGUE, January 10 — Dr. Henry Van Dyke, American minister to the Netherlands government yesterday presented to the Dutch authorities the text of the recent note sent to the belligerent powers of Europe by President Wilson, asking for a statement of the attitude of the warring nations toward peace, and for the terms upon which each of them would be willing to end the war.

In presenting the note to the Holland government, Doctor Van Dyke stated that the attitude of the American government expressly insists upon in regard to the position of Holland, is that his country feels deep sympathy for and thoroughly understands the peculiarly delicate position of this country.

The American minister states that Washington has no wish to urge any action upon this country, nor do the American officials expect any support of their attempt to bring about peace from Holland. So far from urging anything which might be deemed unwise or imprudent here, the American government wishes it distinctly understood, declared Doctor Van Dyke, that its only position in this matter is to help all nations at war and through them all humanity.

Doctor Van Dyke also says that his government is at a loss to understand the "general misunderstanding" regarding the nature of this note.

"It is expressly stated that the United States of America," continues the Doctor, "does not hereby offer mediation, nor does its government advance any peace proposal of any sort whatever. It simply wishes to learn what terms are necessary to bring about peace. When both sides are more frank in their aims and ambitions the world will be the better able to judge whether peace is near or far away."

### BRITISH SEE MENACE BIN AMBASSADOR'S TALK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 9 — The Manchester Guardian reflects a significant view of the British press today in its comment on the reported speech of United States Ambassador James Gerard at Berlin. The Guardian, after repeating the report that Gerard had dwelt on present amicable relations between the United States and Germany, says that the ambassador's words are to be regarded as a plain warning to Germany.

"The version of his speech deserves careful study," it says and points out that the speech plainly indicates that continued harmony between the United States and Germany depends on the conduct of Germany's campaigns and destiny by the present leader.

### COMMITTEE OPPOSES TAXES UPON WHISKEY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
WASHINGTON, January 10 — The ways and means committee of the house of representatives, which is considering the raising of money to meet the deficit in Uncle Sam's pocketbook, is opposed to imposing any taxes on beer and whiskey. A few of the members favor the imposition of a tax upon rubber.

### MORE STEAMERS SUNK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 9 — The Norwegian steamer Bergholm is believed to have been sunk in the war zone, according to announcement of Lloyd's agency.

## UNCLE SAM TAKES TIP FROM EUROPE

Will Equip His Army and Navy With Most Modern Arms and Appliances Possible

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
WASHINGTON, January 9 — Striking innovations in equipment for the Army and Navy have been decided upon by both departments.

Announcement is made that ordnance and aircraft innovations, designed along lines developed by the European belligerents, will be carried out at once.

The experiences of the European war have convinced the United States military experts of their value. The innovations will include Zepplin-type aircraft, large-caliber mobile rifles, and howitzers mounted on cars or hauled by tractors, for coast defense.

### EXPECT FINAL PEACE MEETING NEXT WEEK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
WASHINGTON, January 10 — It was announced here last night that it is likely that the final meeting of the Mexican and American peace commissioners will be held Saturday or Monday next. Secretary Lane has agreed that further negotiations are useless.

In speaking of the situation last night Mr. Lane denied that the government has determined to withdraw General Pershing and his troops from Mexico.

### ENTIRE CABINET OF SPAIN QUILTS POST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
MADRID, January 9 — The entire Spanish cabinet has resigned as a result of dissension over governmental policy, including handling of the submarine controversy.

### German Socialist Scouts Terms of Peace Based On Map

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 10 — An Exchange Telegraph dispatch to The Hague last night quoted Philip Scheidemann, one of the Socialist deputies in the lower German house, who flouted the idea that Germany can reasonably demand a settlement of the war's disputes on the "basis of the war map."

### NAVAL CONSTRUCTION HELD UP BY STRIKE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONG BEACH, California, January 10 — Officials of the California Ship Building Company announced last night that they have received notice from the Navy department of the cancellation of contracts for the construction of three destroyers for Uncle Sam.

The contracts were cancelled at the request of the company because of the strike in the works. The labor trouble started last May and the strikers have the plant picketed, making it doubly hard for the plant to secure labor.

### DINNER TO DIPLOMATS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
WASHINGTON, January 10 — For the first time since the war began the President will give the customary diplomatic dinner at the White House this year. The function will be split in two, the first dinner being given to the representatives of the Entente Powers and the second to the diplomats from the Central Powers. The first was given last night and the second will be given January 16.

### VILLA TO STRIKE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
EL PASO, January 10 — According to information gathered by government agents here Villa is preparing to strike at the de facto troops in Chihuahua once more. He is reported to have gathered a large body of men and to be marching on Satevo. General Murguia, the commander of the Carranza troops is reported to be absent.

### THREE SHIPS SUNK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 10 — Lloyd's shipping agency yesterday reported the sinking of three ships, the British steamer Lesbian, the French Alphonse, and the Japanese Chinto Maru.

### CURE THAT COUGH

When you have a troublesome cough, it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened, and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

## PROHIBITION FOR TERRITORY NOW IS BEFORE SOLONS

Measure Supported By Anti-Saloon League and Women's Christian Temperance Union Being Argued Before Committee

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
WASHINGTON, January 9 — While the Sheppard Bill, to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor in the District of Columbia, was being read for the third time in the senate, where it passed on a vote of fifty-two to thirty-two, a bill for the prohibition of the sale of intoxicants in the Territory of Hawaii was being argued before the house committee on Territories.

The Anti-Saloon League of America was represented by some strong advocates of the bill, including Rev. Dr. J. W. Wadman of Honolulu. The Women's Christian Temperance Union was also represented by speakers, who urged the committee to heed the requests of the native Hawaiians to abolish the traffic that is doing more than anything else to exterminate the Hawaiian race.

On Saturday, on the floor of the house, arguments were presented in advocacy of a measure providing stringent prohibition for the Territory of Alaska and it is not improbable that a measure to include both the Territory of Hawaii and the Territory of Alaska will result from the prohibition efforts now being made.

## POLICE GRAFT IN CHICAGO REVEALED

State's Attorney Believes He Has Secrets of Crooks in "Little Green Book"

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
CHICAGO, January 9 — Hearing of the charges against Chief of Police Healey was continued ten days today at the request of the State, when the case came up in the municipal court. He is out of jail on bonds of \$25,000. The innermost workings of the police graft, State's Attorney Hoyne believes, are revealed in a little "Green Book" taken from Police Lieutenant White.

Lists of alleged hotels, gambling houses and vice resorts are believed to be shown in cryptic notations in the book.

### ENTENTE PRESSING DEMANDS ON GREECE

Allied Fleet Aiding Diplomats In Forcing Compliance

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
PIRAEUS, Greece, January 9 — Backed by the presence in Grecian waters of a formidable fleet and transports of troops, the Entente powers are now pressing Greece more keenly for compliance with their demands. Greece has replied that it is impossible for the government to make some of the concessions ordered.

### GREEK REPLY TO WILSON FAVORABLE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
ATHENS, January 9 — The official reply of the Greek king and government to the peace term suggestions made by President Wilson to the belligerents, and of which he notified the neutral nations, has been communicated to Garret Dropers, the United States minister to Greece. The reply is very favorable, the Greek government declaring itself heartily for the plan, as it may lead toward peace.

### CASUALTIES AMONG THE BRITISH OFFICERS LARGE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 9 — The war office casualty lists made public today show that for the month of October the British troops lost 4378 officers, 1459 being killed and the others wounded and missing. The total since the war began is given as 53,122.

### STEAMER ABANDONED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 10 — The American ensign general here has announced that he has received information of the abandonment of the American steamer Portland, waterlogged by a gale in the North Sea. The crew landed in safety.

### BUFFALO BILL WEAKER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
DENVER, January 9 — "Buffalo Bill" Cody is slowly growing weaker and his death is momentarily expected.

## BELT ROAD BILL FOR OAHU UP TO CAPITAL SOLONS

Measure Introduced By Kuhio, Provides For Highway Clean Around This Island

### WOULD START AT RUGER AND COME BACK TO CITY

Gives Secretary of War Power To Improve Or Enlarge Existing Thoroughfares

Delegate Kalaniana'ole has introduced a bill in the house of representatives appropriating \$1,000,000 for the construction of a military road around Oahu. The bill, introduced December 11, was referred to the house committee on military affairs. The road would run from Honolulu to Koko Head, and thence on the Koolau side to Kahuku, Keena Point, Waianae and Honolulu.

The text of the bill follows: "That the secretary of war be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to locate and construct such new roads as shall, together with existing roads, provide a suitable and practicable military road, with proper drains, bridges, causeways, and all other features necessary to a first-class military road, around the island of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii."

Section 2. That said road shall run from and beginning at Honolulu, passing through Kaimuki to Koko Head, Makapuu Point, Waianae, Kahuku, Waialua, Keena Point, and Waianae to Honolulu.

Section 3. That the secretary of war is hereby authorized and directed to make any and all improvements and additions to any existing roads on the island of Oahu that are available as parts of the above-described military road that he shall deem necessary to make such county roads available for the safe and certain movement of heavy guns and munitions trucks at all times. Provided, That no additions or betterments to existing roads shall be made until the board of supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu shall have filed with the secretary of war a properly authenticated resolution granting him the authority to make changes and improvements on the rights of way of existing roads, and declaring their purpose to continue the maintenance of all existing roads.

Section 4. That the secretary of war is hereby authorized to accept, on behalf of the United States, the free offers of all necessary rights of way, material, and other assistance for the construction of said road that may be offered, and that the work of construction shall begin as soon as possible after the passing of this act.

Section 5. That the sum of \$1,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Section 6. That in addition to the said roadway being used as a military highway the same shall be open to the use of the general public except when required for military purposes.

### UTILITIES BOARD GETS COMPLAINTS

Maui Publishing Company Files Protest Against Island Electric Concern With Commission

A short session at which only routine business was transacted was held by the public utilities commission yesterday afternoon. The matter of the Inter-Island rate hearing was not touched upon, the figures asked by the commission of Auditor Matthew Graham of the steamship company having not yet been furnished.

The commission received a complaint from the Maui Publishing Company, protesting against the service furnished by the Island Electric Company, Ltd., of Wailuku. The publishing company said that it had installed electric motors to run its presses, upon the assurance of the electric company that the latter would furnish ample power. Since the motors were installed, however, there had been a continuous lack of electric power. The complainant ventured the opinion that the electric company's system was overloaded.

The commission laid the complaint on the table to await a reply by the electric company.

The Mutual Telephone Company, of Honolulu, made answer to a complaint filed by W. C. Ahi, attorney for the Kahili Taro and Land Company, Ltd., that the telephone company had cut out the phones of the taro company and refused to furnish service. The phone company said the reason it declined to furnish service was that the company didn't pay its bills. It added that Ahi himself owed it \$60 and that for that reason it had several years ago refused to let him have telephone service.

### HOLLAND RAISES PAY OF HER STATESMEN

(By The Associated Press.)  
THE HAGUE, Netherlands, January 10 — The second chamber of parliament has passed a revised article of the constitution which will raise the salaries of members from \$800 to \$1200 a year. Deputies will, in addition, be paid for every year in which they sat in the chamber, up to a maximum of \$800.

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## RUSSIA'S CABINET IS ONCE MORE IN THROES OF CRISIS

Alexander Trepoff, But Recently Appointed Premier, As Successor To the Alleged Pro-German Former Prime Minister Quits

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
LONDON, January 10 — Despatches from Petrograd last night announced the sudden resignation of Alexander Trepoff, the new Russian prime minister, who has been in office but a few weeks. His resignation was accompanied by that of M. Ignatieff, according to a Reuter's despatch from the czar's capital.

While nothing definite is known regarding the reason for the resignation of these officials, owing to the strict censorship, it is believed that the continued reverses which the Russians have been suffering in Rumania have had much to do with the cabinet crisis.

## UNCLE SAM TO AID VOCATION TRAINING

Lower House Approves Suggestion Made By President In His Address To Congress

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
WASHINGTON, January 10 — Formal congressional approval has been given to the suggestion advanced by the President in an address he made to congress some time ago, when he urged that the federal government go to the assistance of the individual in providing vocational training for the younger generation of the nation. The house of representatives yesterday approved this idea by passing a federal vocational cooperation measure, which appropriates \$1,700,000 for the proper training of teachers to instruct the youth of the country in practical matters which will be of assistance to men and women in their struggle to secure useful employment.

### PINCH OF THE WAR HITS DENMARK HARD

Food and Fuel Getting Perilously Low In Kingdom

(By The Associated Press.)  
COPENHAGEN, January 10 — Denmark, like many other neutral countries, is beginning to feel the pinch of the war. Foodstuffs and fuel are becoming scarce and the government has been forced to take steps to conserve supplies.

Rye bread, the usual bread of the country, has since December 1, been mixed with ten per cent neutral country rye. It is believed that the percentage will soon be raised to twenty per cent.

Plans are under way to regulate the consumption and price of homegrown sugar, by the issue of cards, each person being allowed one pound a week.

Houses and flats are scarce, owing to the cessation of building made necessary by the increased price of materials. For some time past the municipal politics have been compelled to find shelter for many homeless families in school buildings and in temporary structures.

### SUSPECTED YOUTH CLINGS TO STORY

K. Kenewekane, the Hawaiian youth suspected of the murder of Kama and George Kanaha, nine and thirteen years old, respectively, in a shack in Makiki Valley, Monday morning, underwent a searching examination by a team of Detectives McDuffie last night.

McDuffie has not arrived at a definite clue which might lead to a motive for the crime. Mrs. Kanaha, mother of the dead boys, said yesterday that when she reached the shack Kenewekane was just letting go of the handle of the axe which was imbedded in the neck of the younger boy.

Examination of the shirt worn by Kenewekane showed that the blood stain could not have been placed on his shirt by the woman's hand, as the prisoner claims, but, say the detectives, came from the axe when he wielded it over his head. The stain is more like a huge clot of blood, and soaked through on Kenewekane's undershirt.

The bodies of the boys will be buried this afternoon by the county.

### DOGS SLEDS CARRY \$500,000 IN GOLD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
SEWARD, Alaska, January 10 — With the temperature something like twenty degrees below zero four dog teams arrived here yesterday with \$500,000 in gold dust from the mines.

## HARRY K. THAW IS ARRESTED AGAIN

Slayer of Stanford White Charged With Horsewhipping Young Californian

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
NEW YORK, January 9 — Harry Thaw, only recently freed of detention at Matteawan asylum following his sensational escape, was indicted by a grand jury today, charged with assaulting Fred Grupp, a boy in Kansas City. A bench warrant for his arrest has been issued.

It is charged that he assaulted him at a hotel with a buggy whip on three occasions. Thaw is accused of entering the boy from California here.

The testimony at the Thaw trial and in the litigation for his release from Matteawan concerned his alleged actions in whipping young women, which was cited in an effort to show that he was insane.

### GERMANS CAPTURE SHIP CARRYING CONTRABAND

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)  
BERLIN, January 10 — The Norwegian steamer Lupus, formerly the American steamer Gilchrist, and now in the service of Great Britain, has been captured on the North Sea and brought to Hamburg. She is reported to have been carrying contraband of war to Great Britain.

### CITY TREASURER DEFENDS BOARD

Conkling Disputes Charges Made By L. L. McCandless and Gives Figures As Proof

D. L. Conkling, the city treasurer, believes that L. L. McCandless is in error a few hundreds of thousands of dollars — paper money. Mr. McCandless was quoted yesterday morning to the effect that the bond issue to be voted upon was "throwing snowballs into a hot oven." To buttress this he cited figures, to show that the increase in taxes on the island of Oahu during 1916 was \$175,669 more than it was during 1915, and \$838,091 more than it was during 1914. This means that the present board had had \$838,091 more to spend than the board that preceded it.

Mr. Conkling said, that for general fund and permanent improvements, the present supervisors had had \$1,348,391.17, whereas the preceding Democratic board had had \$1,179,267.96, a difference of \$169,123.21, instead of a few thousands in excess of \$800,000.

The county received fifty-six per cent of the Oahu taxes last year, and the Territory the remainder — forty-four per cent. Instead of the county being given not more than two-thirds of the receipts, as the legislature may have intended, it receives not more than two-thirds of one per cent of the assessed valuation of the year preceding. But at no time has the county's share been more than fifty-seven per cent of the receipts, Mr. Conkling said.

The rate last year was 1.273 per cent, and this year probably will be about 1.25, said the treasurer. Of the 1916 taxes collected in the county — \$1,234,924.41, which is 1.273 per cent of the assessed valuation — the county got 56 per cent of one per cent of the assessed valuation and the Territory 44 per cent of one per cent of the receipts instead of sixty-six.

The supervisors are given no powers whatever as to taxation, Mr. Conkling pointed out. Although the territorial treasurer, with the approval of the Governor, may levy an additional tax of one-fourth of one per cent in years during which the legislature does not meet, the supervisors are held strictly to the maximum of two-thirds of one per cent of the assessed valuation.

This, Mr. Conkling believes, is a condition that should be remedied, and that a fight should be made in the approaching session of the legislature. At the same time, he does not agree with Mr. McCandless.

### PRESIDENT AUTHORIZED TO EXCHANGE LAND IN OAHU

Congress has now before it a bill introduced by Representative Dent of Alabama, member of the military affairs committee, authorizing the President to exchange land set aside for military purposes in Hawaii for private land. The bill enacts:

"That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to exchange public lands set aside for military purposes in the Territory of Hawaii, where not needed for such purposes, for private lands of practically equal value in the same territory that are needed for military purposes, the lands so acquired by exchange to be given thereby the same status as lands set aside from the public domain by the President for military purposes."

The bill has been referred to the committee on military affairs.

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## SLAVS FALLING BACK IN SOUTH; MAKING LARGE GAIN IN NORTH

Invasion of Rumania By the Central Powers Continues With the Russian and Rumanian Defenders Still Retreating Northward

### ON MACKENSEN REPORTS MORE PRISONERS TAKEN

Teutonic Lines Now In Vicinity of Puntna River Sector; Fighting Around Riga In Baltic Region Is Reported To Be Fierce

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEW YORK, January 10 — With the Russians striking hard and successfully, in the region of Riga, in the Baltic sector, but falling back rapidly before the strokes of von Mackensen in Moldavia and the Dobruja district, the war interest yesterday centered in the eastern theater, to the exclusion of almost every other front.

The Rumanian invasion by the Central powers continued with unslackened speed, the troops under von Mackensen hammering their way steadily northward, taking a number of important towns and 529 prisoners. The line of the Teutonic advance extends clear from the Transylvanian Alps to the Putna river sector, and deep into Moldavia, where the Russians apparently are unable to stem the tide of fierce German and Austrian soldiery.

Petrograd admits officially that the Russians have fallen back, but claims that this was done for strategic reasons.

In the Riga sector the Slavs have been more successful. Here the fighting has assumed the character of a general engagement over a wide front, and the Russians have taken back the island in the Divina river which they lost when the German thrust pushed them eastward after their defeat on the Dunajec. North of Lake Babit, where the Germans attempted to assume the offensive they were repulsed by the Slavs, with extremely heavy losses.

Of this fighting Berlin says officially that "violent artillery duels have begun." Of the struggle in the Balkan area Berlin reports that "desperate fighting is reported from the general army headquarters today in the Rumanian campaign. There is hard battling in the valleys leading into the interior of northern Rumania. The Teutons have stormed the defenses of Krasno and Suchitza valleys. In the Dobruja section von Mackensen, steadily progressing, has captured Galenka and taken 5400 prisoners, according to the official statement."

Military experts in London have heard that the Russians are preparing to launch a tremendous offensive shortly on the extreme northwest end of the eastern line.

German correspondents give the news that a huge Slav army with plenty of reserves, has been massed in the vicinity of Riga, where fighting has been comparatively light for months.

This army is said to be equipped with vast quantities of ammunition and ready to begin a determined offensive, to cut through the German lines and force them to begin a withdrawal. No definite date for the offensive is given, but it is rumored that it will start when the weather allows movement of troops and heavy artillery.

Paris reports that north of the Oise River, after a bombardment, the Germans attempted unsuccessfully to raid a trench north of Ribecourt, but were repulsed with losses. The rest of the front is quiet.

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